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TAGS: UR SREF PINR (SKACHINSKIY, ALEKSANDR S.)

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR ASYLUM

1. SOVIET CITIZEN ALEKSANDR S. SKACHINSKIY ENTERED EMBASSY AT 0930 FEBRUARY 11 TO REQUEST "POLITICAL ASYLUM". DISPLAYING SEVERAL CHILDREN'S BOOKS WHICH HE AUTHORED, SUBJECT DECLARES HE CAN NO LONGER LIVE IN USSR AND IS PREPARED TO COMMIT SUICIDE IF FORCED TO LEAVE EMBASSY.

2. SUBJECT TELEPHONED CONSOFF AT OPENING OF BUSINESS, SAID HE HAS RELATIVES IN US, AND ASKED TO BE CONDUCTED INTO EMBASSY TO DISCUSS EMIGRATION TO THEM. CONSOFF ESCORTED SUBJECT INTO EMBASSY PAST MILITIAMEN WHO CHECKED HIS DOCUMENTS, BUT PROMPTLY ADMITTED HIM. (SUBJECT SAID HE HAD RECEIVED NAME OF CONSOFF FROM DISSIDENT BALLADEER GALICH, WHO HE SAYS RECOMMENDED THAT "ONLY OFFICIAL COURSE" (APPLICATION TO OVIR WITH EMBASSY SUPPORT) CAN BE FOLLOWED IN SUCH CASES.)

3. CONSOFFS ARE SEEKING TO PERSUADE SUBJECT TO LEAVE QUIETLY AFTER EXPLAINING FACTS ABOUT EMIGRATION FROM USSR. EMBASSY WILL KEEP DEPT ADVISED.

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